



*Evangelical Lutheran  
Church of the Holy Trinity*

*Maundy Thursday*

*April 14, 2022*

*7:00 p.m.*

*(Please remember to turn off your cell phone. Thank you.)*

Assembly responses are in **bold type**.

**SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DAY:** This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

*Prelude*

Chorale prelude

*Schmucke dich*

(Brahms)

*Announcements/Greeting*

*Gathering (The assembly stands as the ministers enter.)*

Gathering Hymn

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

The musical score consists of two staves of music in G major, common time. The top staff is for the treble clef and the bottom staff is for the bass clef. The lyrics are written in a two-line format, with the first five lines on the top staff and the last five lines on the bottom staff. The music features a simple harmonic progression with chords of G major and G minor.

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for  
2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and  
3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us  
4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and  
5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your

love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,  
cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,  
as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,  
call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,  
joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty

though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our  
 by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems  
 but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your  
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -  
 to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that

heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.  
 close con-fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.  
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.  
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.  
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

*(The assembly remains standing.)*



"For I have given you an example,  
 that you also should do  
 as I have done to you."

-John 13:15

## Confession and Forgiveness

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil - all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

*(The assembly kneels, as able, or sits. Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.)*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*(The assembly is seated. The congregation may come forward for the laying on of hands and individual absolution.)*

In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins.

**Amen.**

*(The assembly stands as the presiding minister returns to the chancel.)*

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*(The assembly greets one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying  
‘Peace be with you; and also with you.’)*

*(The assembly remains standing.)*

Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

Anthem

When Twilight Comes

(Sedio)

When twilight comes and the sun sets,  
mother hen prepares for night's rest.  
As her brood shelters under her wings,  
she gives the love of God to her nest.  
Oh! what joy to feel her warm heartbeat  
and be near her all night long;  
so the young can find repose,  
then renew tomorrow's song.

One day the Rabbi, Lord Jesus,  
called the twelve to share his last meal.  
As the hen tends her young, so for them  
he spent himself to seek and to heal.  
Oh! what joy to be with Christ Jesus,  
hear his voice, oh! sheer delight,  
and receive his servant care:  
all before the coming night.

So gather round once again, friends,  
touched by fading glow of sun's gold,  
and recount all our frail human hopes:  
the dreams of young and stories of old.  
Oh! what joy to pray close together,  
kneeling as one family,  
by a mother's love embraced  
in the blessed Trinity.

## *Word*

First Reading

The Word of the Lord.

Exodus 12:1-14

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

*(Verses will be sung responsively by verse.)*

1 I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,  
and listened to my | supplication,  
**2 for the LORD has given | ear to me**  
**whenev- | er I called.**  
12 How shall I re- | pay the LORD  
for all the good things God has | done for me?  
**13 I will lift the cup | of salvation**  
**and call on the name | of the LORD.**  
14 I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD  
in the presence of | all God's people.  
**15 Precious in your | sight, O LORD,**  
**is the death | of your servants.**

16 O LORD, truly I | am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me | from my bonds.

**17 I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name | of the LORD.**

18 I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD  
in the presence of | all God's people,  
**19 in the courts of | the LORD's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

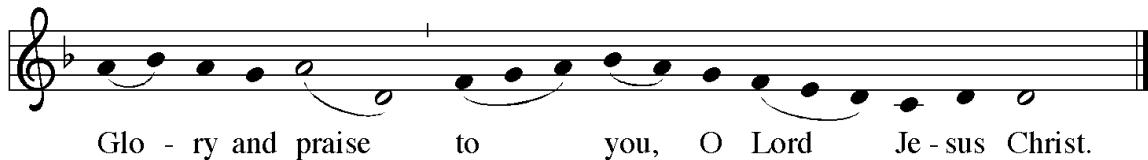
Second Reading  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*(The assembly stands.)*

Gospel Acclamation

*(Assembly sings acclamation; choir sings verse, assembly repeats  
acclamation.)*



I give you a new commandment,  
that you love one another just as I have loved you.

Gospel  
*The gospel is announced.*

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the thirteenth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The gospel is proclaimed, concluding:*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

Sermon

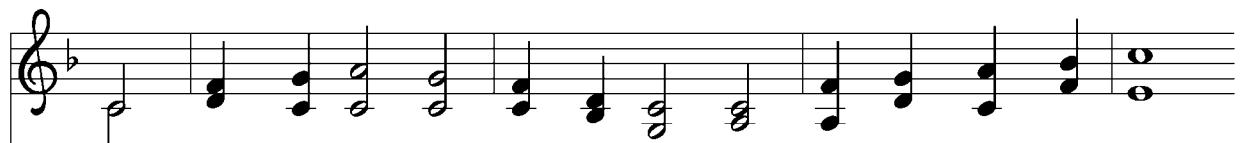
Pastor Brenda Martin

*(Silence for reflection.)*

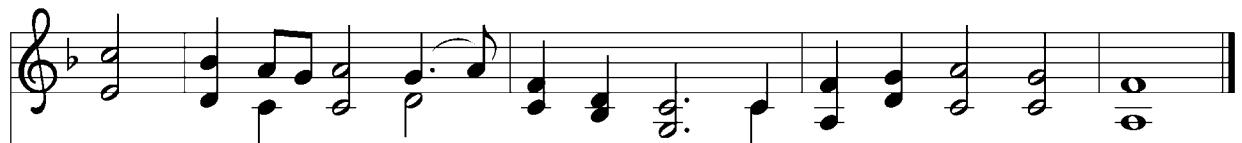
*(The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.)*

Hymn of the Day

Love Consecrates the Humblest Act



1 Love con - se-crates the hum-blest act and ha - loes mer - cy's deeds;  
2 When in the shad - ow of the cross Christ knelt and washed the feet  
3 Love serves and will - ing stoops to serve; what Christ in love so true



it sheds a ben - e - dic - tion sweet and hal-lows hu - man needs.  
of his dis - ci - ples, he gave us a sign of love com - plete.  
has free - ly done for one and all, let us now glad - ly do!



*(The assembly is seated.)*

## *Footwashing*

On this night we have heard our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

*(Those participating in the Footwashing in the chancel come forward to their seats.)*

Ubi Caritas et Amor (*Where True Charity and Love Abide*)

The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time, treble clef, and B-flat key signature. The lyrics are in Latin with English translations in parentheses.

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
*Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,*

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.  
*God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.*

## Prayers of Intercession

In these holiest of days, we offer prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world, responding ... Merciful God, receive our prayer.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church around the world. Write your new commandment of love on the heart of every believer and strengthen pastors, deacons, and lay leaders in humble service for your people. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for the good earth you have made. Protect fields, orchards, local farms, and gardens. Inspire us with the new life budding around us, that we show more care for plants and all living creatures. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for leaders in every land. Kindle compassion and equity in all who are called to administer justice. Guide all in positions of power away from the temptations of abuse and toward work for the common good. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in need, especially those who are incarcerated or unjustly accused. Illuminate paths to end oppression and form supportive communities gathered around a common commitment to justice and peace. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation and all who gather to receive your body and blood this day. Fill us at this shared table and nourish us well to heed your example of grace. Send us in love to those who cannot be with us due to illness. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We give thanks for those who have died in the faith. Teach us by their example and comfort us as we mourn. Renew us by the promise of life together with you. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Are there others for whom we should pray?

**P:** We offer to you these petitions and those we carry in our hearts, trusting in your abundant and ever-present mercy.

**Amen.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

## *Meal*

### Offering

Music during the Offering

Interlude

(Murray)

*(The assembly stands.)*

Offering Verse

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your  
pres-ence, and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-  
store un-to me the joy of your sal-va-tion,  
and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

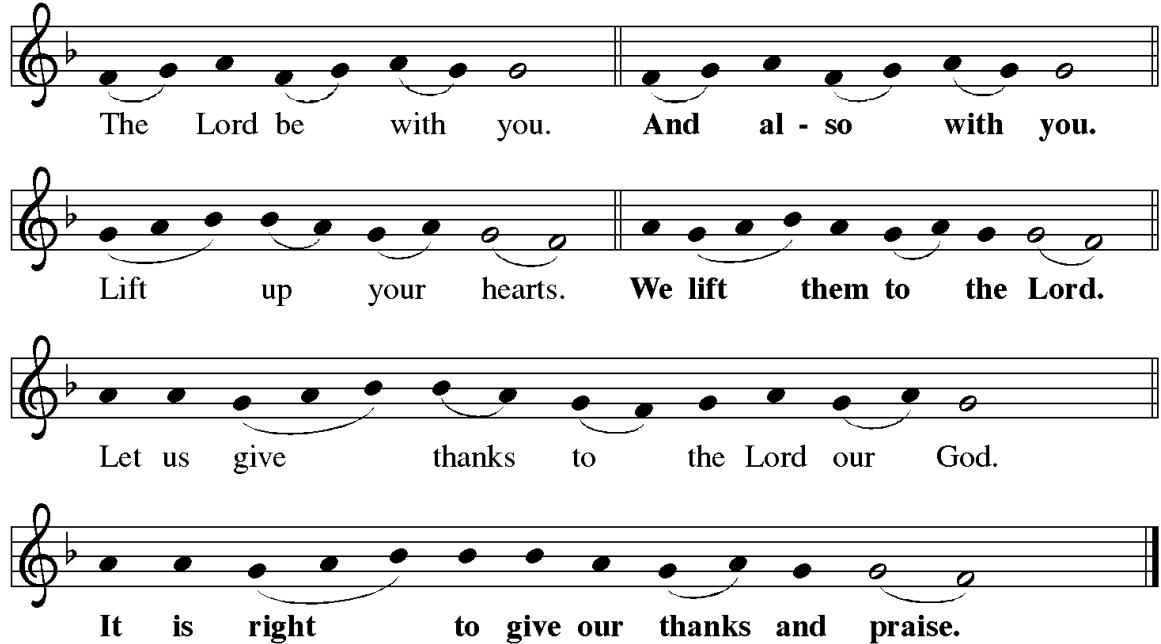
## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy (Sanctus)

The musical notation consists of five lines of music, each starting with a G clef. The lyrics are as follows:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a-gain.

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

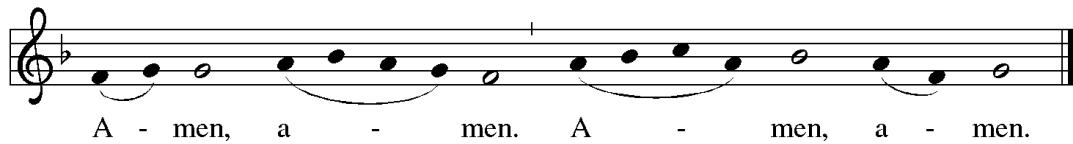
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.



A musical notation for the Amen response. It consists of a single staff in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one sharp. The melody is a simple, repetitive pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "A - men, a - men." are written below the staff, with a small '+' sign above the second 'a' in the first line. The pattern repeats three times, followed by a final 'men.' The staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

## Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,  
your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we  
for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri - al  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## Breaking of Bread

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

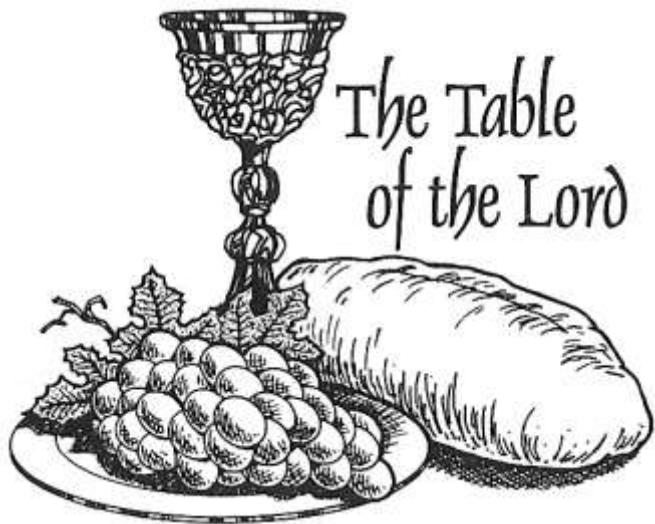
**Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

*(The assembly is seated.)*

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.



## Communion Hymn

## Thee We Adore, O Savior

1 Thee we a - dore, O Sav - ior, God most true,  
 2 O true re - mem - brance of Christ cru - ci - fied,  
 3 Foun - tain of good - ness, Je - sus, Lord and God,  
 4 Je - sus, by faith we see thee here be - low;

thy glo - ry clothed in bread and wine a - new;  
 the bread of life to us for whom he died;  
 cleanse us, O Christ, with thy most cleans - ing blood:  
 send us, we pray thee, what we thirst for so:

our hearts to thee in true de - vo - tion bow,  
 lend us this life then; feed and feast our mind,  
 in - crease our faith and love, that we may know  
 some - day to gaze up - on thy face in light,

in hum - ble awe, we hail thy pres - ence now.  
 be thou the sweet - ness we were meant to find.  
 the hope and peace which from thy pres - ence flow.  
 blest ev - er - more with thy full glo - ry's sight. A - men.

Communion Hymn

Stay with Me



Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
pray. Watch and pray.

*(The assembly stands.)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

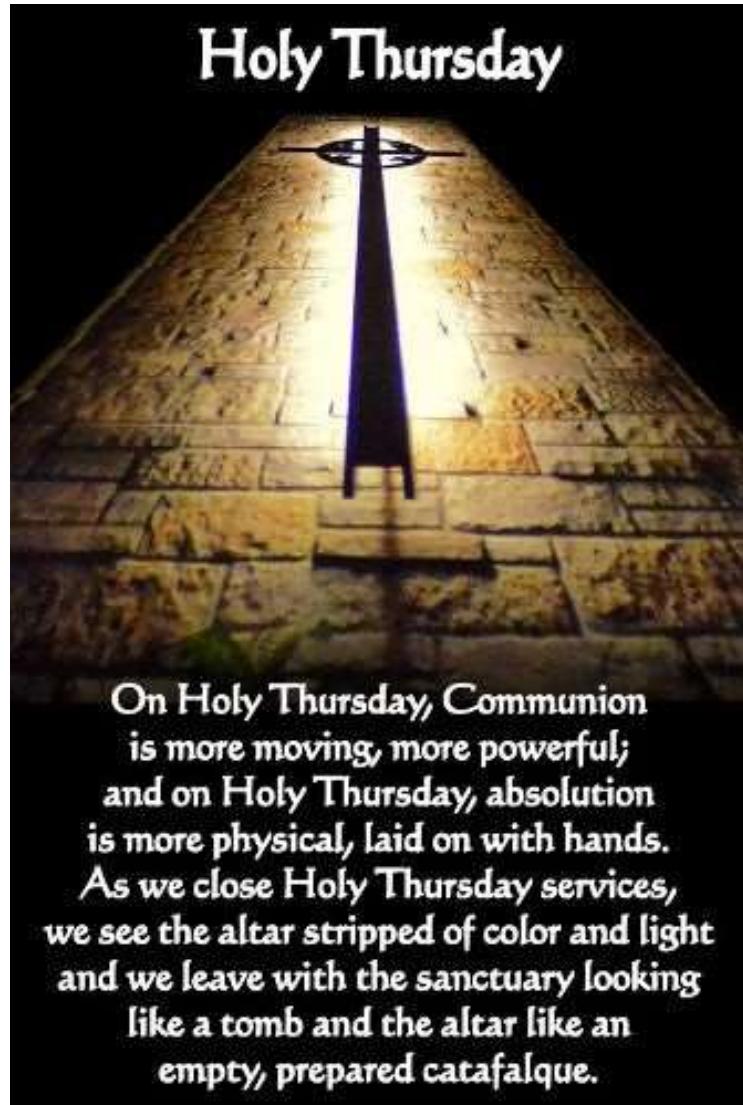
*(Please kneel, as able, or sit, following the Post-Communion Prayer for the Stripping of the Altar.)*

## *Stripping of the Altar*

*The sacramental elements and vessels, linens, candles, and books are removed from the altar while appropriate Psalm(s) are sung. We recall through this ritual the suffering and mockery of Christ*

Psalm 88 (sung by Choir)

*(After the ministers leave, the people may leave the church building in silence or remain in silence to contemplate the Passion of Our Lord. The Prayer Vigil begins after the Service.) Worship continues tomorrow evening, Good Friday, at 7:00 p.m.*



## *Serving Tonight*

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